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This is in response to Justice Department solicitation for input to the settlement with MS.

MS is a company of which it was found GUILTY of violating the federal law. Courts have already determined that Windows OS is a monopoly. Now you are talking about Settlement?, and defending the decision to so?. Please, show me where else the Federal Government "settled" with law breakers about their punishment. MS Broke the law now it has to be convicted and pay the price. Period.

Windows OS have reached this level of market share through outright illegal, and unfair business practices. For past two decades, MS ripped us, the consumers of our hard earned money, and still continues to do so. In my view, DOJ is completely on the wrong track in dealing with MS.

Having "three representatives watch MS business practices" is like having your dog to guard the meat. I do not wish to see my tax dollars are wasted on bogus government oversight on a company which its executives stick their thump up everybody's nose.

Any fair settlement which serves consumers interest, should allow competition in the marketplace for the OS.. Therefore, Windows entire code MUST be accessible to other competitors to such a degree where they can CLONE it to run all existing windows based application and middleware programs, un-impeded by bogus copy right laws. Where, these competitors can also bundle any middleware S/W with their Operating Systems, just as much as MS does today. Had IBM had such an access to these codes in the past, their OS2 Operating System would have been today just as successful as Windows. Please, don't believe to MS and their supporters FUD (Fear Uncertainties, Doubt) about the "nightmare" and "confusion" from which it may result in multiple OS's. In every industry, all competitors form a committees to set interface standard. It is true with the lightbulb, automobile tires, and million and millions of other products. There is no reason where competitors in the OS as well can't do the same.

I object to the provision of this settlement with Microsoft.

Thanks
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